vious reports had also been overcome through some concrete remedial actions.

(d) Keeping in view the success of the programme, Government of India has urged upon UNDP for approval of the proposal for the next phase of the TOKTEN Programme on overriding priority.

Study on Ozont depletion

8304. SHRI SUSHIL KUMAR SAMBHAJIRAO SHINDE: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the National Physical Laboratory, New Delhi, has conducted a study about the extent of depletion Ozone in the atmosphere and its effects on the globe in general and the tropicals and semitropical countries, particularly India;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the steps already taken and being taken to minimise the adverse impact of depletion of Ozone layer in the light of the study?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF ATOMIC ENERGY AND SPACE AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY (SHRI BHUVNESH CHATURVEDI): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The study of ozone at NPL using Nimbus satellite measurefents indicates a world-wide decrease in total ozone from 1979 to 1989. There is a marginal decrease in total atmospheric ozone content over Indian latitudes. At latitudes higher than 45 degree ozone depletion has been certainly detected. Polar regions, in particular, the Antarctica, where the ozone hole was discovered, are well established as locations of ozone destruction.

(c) The ozone depletion is caused by various ozone depleting substances like Chioro-Flouro Caroons, Halons, etc. As signatory to the Montreal Protocol, the Government of India has prepared a country programme to phase out all these ozone depleting substances as per the stipulations of the Protocol and actions are being taken as per the action plan mentioned in our country report by the Ministry of Environment and Forests as nodal agency. It is an integrated approach which takes care of all the national and international interests.

Technologies Developed by ISRO

8305. SHRI G. Y. KRISHNAN: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to refer to the answer to Unstarred Question 4863 given in the Rajya Sabha on 4th May, 1995 and state:

(a) the details of 224 technologies developed and transferred by Indian Space Research Organisation to Industry for commercialisation with tentative project cost, group-wise;

(b) the names of the eight products which require buy-back from ISRO, their annual requirements and value; and

(c) whether ISRO is having MOU with industry for buy-back of products referred in part (a) above; If so, what are the details thereof, product-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF ATOMIC ENERGY AND SPACE AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY (SHRI BHUVNAESH CHATURVEDI): (a) The details of 224 technologies developed by Indian Space